

RESULTS OF THE 10TH IGOS PARTNERS MEETING

- **THE OCEAN THEME IMPLEMENTATION TEAM CHARGED TO INITIATE ITS ROLLING REVIEW AND RESTATEMENT OF THE OCEAN THEME ITSELF, WITH PROGRESS TO BE REPORTED TO THE 11TH MEETING.**
- **THE GLOBAL WATER CYCLE THEME TEAM, THE INTEGRATED GLOBAL CARBON CYCLE THEME TEAM AND THE GEOHAZARDS THEME TEAM WERE EACH COMMENDED FOR THE MAJOR WORK THUS FAR ACCOMPLISHED AND EACH CHARGED TO COLLECT AND COORDINATE INPUTS TO FINALIZE THEIR REPORTS. THE PARTNERS PLAN TO FORMALLY CONSIDER THE THREE FINAL REPORTS AT AN AD-HOC IGOS-P-10-BIS MEETING, NOVEMBER 20, IN COLORADO SPRINGS.**

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- **THE PARTNERS ENDORSED DEVELOPMENT OF AN IGOS COASTAL THEME, BY A TEAM TO INCLUDE CEOS, GOOS, GTOS AND IGBP.**
- **THE CORAL REEF SUB-THEME'S FINAL REPORT WAS ACCEPTED AND IS AUTHORIZED FOR DISTRIBUTION WITH APPROPRIATE NOTATION THAT IT WILL BECOME AN ANNEX TO THE COASTAL THEME REPORT.**
- **A STATUS REPORT OF THE INTEGRATED GLOBAL ATMOSPHERIC CHEMISTRY OBSERVATIONS THEME WAS PRESENTED. THIS THEME HAS MADE SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS AND IS EXPECTED TO COMPLETE ITS FINAL REPORT BY 2004.**

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- **THE PARTNERS ACCEPTED WITH MINOR MODIFICATIONS THE REPORT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION TASK FORCE HEADED BY DON HINSMAN AND CHARGED THE TASK FORCE TO ASSIST EACH OF THE THEMES FINALIZING REPORTS BY NOVEMBER IN DEVELOPING IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES.**
- **THE IGOS CO-CHAIRS AGREED TO PREPARE A DISCUSSION PAPER ON A STRATEGY FOR EMERGING IGOS THEMES INCLUDING CONSIDERATION OF A SOCIO-ECONOMIC THEME. ICSU AND THE CO-CHAIRS ALSO AGREED TO ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP TO EXAMINE GENERIC SOCIO-ECONOMIC ISSUES COMMON TO EACH IGOS THEME.**

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- **THE PARTNERS AGREED THAT IGOS EDUCATION, TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING EFFORTS SHOULD BE PURSUED IN COMMON WITH THE CEOS WG ON EDUCATION AND TRAINING. IGOS FOCUS ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IS TO BE EXPLORED IN CONNECTION WITH THE CEOS WSSD FOLLOW-UP TEAM WITH A SPECIAL FOCUS ON LINKAGE OF IGOS THEMES TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT.**
- **DIETRICH LEIHNER, FAO, REPLACED WALTER ERDELEN AS IGOS CO-CHAIR AT THE CLOSE OF THE MEETING. GREGORY WITHEE, CEOS/NOAA CONTINUES AS CO-CHAIR THROUGH THE IGOS-P-10BIS MEETING IN NOVEMBER. THE 11TH PARTNERS MEETING WILL BE HOSTED BY FAO IN ROME ON MAY 27, 2004.**